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**ALZHEIMER'S SPECIAL CARE UNIT REQUIRED DISCLOSURES DATA
SUPPLEMENT**

APPLICATION FOR LICENSE TO OPERATE A NURSING HOME

(Including Adult Care Home Beds in Combination Facilities)

(Applicable only to facilities that advertise, market or otherwise promote themselves as providing a special care unit for persons with Alzheimer's disease or other dementias. A Special Care Unit means a wing or hallway within a nursing home or a program provided by a nursing home, that is designated especially for residents with Alzheimer's disease or other dementias, or other special needs disease or condition, as determined by the Medical Care Commission, which may include mental disabilities.)

LEGAL IDENTITY OF APPLICANT:

{Full legal name of corporation, partnership, individual, or other legal entity owning the enterprise or service.}

DOING BUSINESS AS (d/b/a) - names under which the facility or services are advertised or presented to the public:

FORMAT FOR SPECIAL CARE UNIT DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

The special care unit disclosure statement must address the items in order as listed below. It is to be submitted with the License Application.

(1) The philosophy of the special care unit which includes a statement of mission and objectives regarding the specific population to be served by the unit which shall address, but not be limited to the following;

Safe, secure, familiar and consistent environment that promotes mobility and minimal use of physical restraints or psychotropic medication;

A structured but flexible lifestyle through a well developed program of care which includes activities appropriate for each resident's abilities;

Individualized care plans that stress the maintenance of residents' abilities and promote the highest possible level of physical and mental functioning; and

Methods of behavior management which preserve dignity through design of the physical environment, physical exercise, social activity, appropriate medication administration, proper nutrition and health maintenance;

(2) The process and criteria for admission to and discharge from the unit;

(3) A description of the special care services offered in the unit;

(4) Resident assessment and care planning, including opportunity for family involvement in care planning, and the implementation of the care plan, including responding to changes in the resident's condition;

(5) Safety measures addressing dementia specific dangers such as wandering, ingestion, falls and aggressive behavior or other behavior management problems;

(6) Staffing in the unit;

(7) Staff training based on the special care needs of the residents;

(8) Physical environment and design features that address the needs of the residents;

(9) Activity plans based on personal preferences and needs of the residents;

(10) Opportunity for involvement of families in resident care and the availability of family support programs and,

(11) Additional costs and fees for the special care provided.